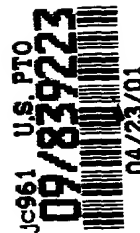




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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Jan TØPHOLM
 A HEARING AID WITH A FACE PLATE THAT IS AUTOMATICALLY
 MANUFACTURED TO FIT THE HEARING AID SHELL
 Our Ref. Q64069

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 31 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 19 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

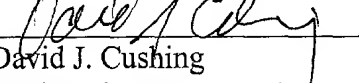
The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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| Total claims | <u>41</u> | - | 20 | = | <u>21</u> | x | \$18.00 | = | <u>\$378.00</u> |
| Independent claims | <u>4</u> | - | 3 | = | <u>1</u> | x | \$80.00 | = | <u>\$80.00</u> |
| Base Fee | | | | | | | | | <u>\$710.00</u> |
| TOTAL FEE | | | | | | | | | <u>\$1168.00</u> |

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1168.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from March 26, 2001 based on European Application No. 01610031.5. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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